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| In re Application of | : | |
| George Butcher | : | |
| Application No. 09/823,376 | : | DECISION ON PETITION |
| Filed: March 30, 2001 | : | |
| Attorney Docket No. 7056.014 | : | |

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR §1.137(b), filed November 2, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

This above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a proper response to a final Office Action which was mailed on November 30, 2005. The final Office Action set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. A reply was filed on March 3, 2006 (certificate of mailing February 28, 2006). An Advisory Action was mailed on April 12, 2006 informing applicant the response filed did not place the application in condition for allowance. No extension of time were obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.136(a). Accordingly, this application became abandoned on March 1, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on September 12, 2006.

The requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR §1.137(b) have been met. This petition is hereby **Granted**.

The Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and amendment will be forwarded to Technology Center 3600 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3215.

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